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Bassano Sailor Member Of Churchill Convoy

Received Gift of Cigarettes
From President Roosevelt

The Recorder had an interesting interview with Tom Pragnall on Tuesday, when he brought with him a gift of cigarettes which he has had since leaving his home at the Bassano dam, just one year ago. Tom is a member of the Bassano town to see service overseas and return home for furloughs.

One of the first things he forgot, said Mr. Pragnall, was to say hello to Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt. He was a member of the Wales in August. I was an able seaman on one of the destroyers that went to the Arctic and then later across the Atlantic. As we came to our destination, we could see the lights of the ships which accompanied President Roosevelt, swaying our arrival.

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"We found the American sailors to be very friendly, and when paying our respects to the President on Monday, they loaded our pockets with chocolates as we came up to the table. We had some guests at a chicken dinner, and finished off the day with a show on the ship.

"The American president's son came aboard our ship for an inspection. He found us to be a very interesting fellow."

Since leaving Bassano, Sept. 10, Tom has been on a short elementary naval training with the Royal Canadian Navy. He was then drafted to the Royal Canadian Navy and stationed at a sailors' barracks at a southeast port in England. While in England, Tom has been promoted to the rank of Canadian seaman. Last March he boarded a ship and has been on the ocean ever since.

After a short leave Mr. Pragnall expects to rejoin his ship.

Bassano Boy Cadets Show Keen Interest

The boys of the Bassano Boy Cadets, according to the latest inspection report, are showing a marked degree of improvement and interest in the cadet work. A total of 33 boys are in the corps, including 11 in the corps, 21 Juniors and 12 seniors. While two of the boys are marked "A" and one is marked "B", there are still 31 qualified cadets in the corps.

The report shows "very good" in physical training, squad and section drill, platoon drill, company drill exercises, and in the various rifle fire exercises signalling and first aid. Summary of the report says: "The Bassano Boy Cadets are an enthusiastic corps, very steady on parade, keen, interested, many activities."

Also in the report is a good word for Instructor Redmond, who is the corps' coach. "The enthusiasm of the corps has pulled it back into excellent shape in a year, and hopes for even better success in the future."

ALBERTA POOL PAYS ALBERTA GOVERNMENT

Payment of \$435,400 was made by the Alberta Wheat Pool to the Alberta Government on Sept. 10. This is the September instalment of principal and interest due on the indebtedness by the Alberta Government to the Alberta Pool for the year ended Sept. 30, 1940.

This is the tenth annual payment made by the Alberta Wheat Pool. Total instalments to date have been made by the Alberta Wheat Pool. Every instalment has been made on the due date.

TO TALE WAGES

Wages of truck drivers will be subject to arbitration to be held by employers and the Industrial Relations Board of the province in Lethbridge on Sept. 21. Mr. J. H. Hart and Edmonton this month. Under the chairmanship of Clayton Adams, the Board has won payment of \$1,000,000 a year for last year collected \$27,000 in back wages for workers. More than 7,300 drivers were carried out the same period.

USE OF HARVESTER IS CONSTANTLY SPREADING

When the combine harvester was first introduced into Alberta, it was limited to the flat prairies of the south. Gradually, however, it expanded west and north until now combines are used in the majority of the grain districts. The first harvester which ever to be delivered a Gibbons, few miles north of the town of Gibbons, the Alberta Pool elevator at that point recently. The wheat was combined by Jim McLean, one of the farmers of the district, whose farm is located six miles east of Gibbons.

Junior Red Cross Out For Aluminum

Wet weather held up the members of the Bassano Junior Red Cross last week in their drive to collect aluminum cans and scrap in the town itself, and it looks as though they may be held up again. They will be back as soon as the weather permits. Jutlers will be around and they will be happy to help you. For them, that you have it ready, in case that the gathering will take place any more than is necessary.

The Red Cross again reminds the public to continue to demand that we return the aluminum cans to them to bring or send any scrap aluminum to Bassano.

MAKEPEACE

(By Our Correspondent)

Mr. Alvin Sandquist was home from Medicine Hat over the weekend.

Visitors at the Rodhouse home were Mrs. V. G. Campbell and Miss Elsie Johnson, who were visitors at the home of the former Grain Company Limited.

The single exception is the price of meat. For fresh, Winnipeg

wheat prices have declined since the beginning of the new crop year.

While it is impossible to give a full breakdown of what has been taken place, certain factors appear to have been of dominating importance in recent market action.

Rising demand in both Canada and the United States for certain types of agricultural products, particularly in the case of grain, which in turn has stimulated the demand for feed grains and feed stuffs.

Special measures by the United States government to support the price of selected commodities like wheat.

The general upward tendency in commodity prices which some at times have attributed to the

The price then goes on to Calgary to Calypso, a visitor to Calgary on Tuesday.

Mr. L. A. Larson and son Mr. Tom Mullen, Mr. and Mrs. J. McLean, Misses Verna Mullen and Mrs. Donaldson were visitors to Brooks on Saturday.

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THE URGENCY OF WAR SAVINGS

While "we are in the presence of a crime without a name" it would be a major tragedy to lose both the war and the peace. That is the ominous probability of a headlong plunge into a period of wartime spending. A greater degree of saving is an urgent need of the moment.

The cry from all the lips that speak to us across the no-man's-land of the Atlantic ocean is for more and more materials. Our ability to produce the materials of war in satisfactory quantity is limited by our physical capacity and time. Our only hope lies in diverting peace time operations to war time requirements.

Diversions of productive facilities is effective in either of two ways, voluntary or otherwise. Financial measures, such as taxation and borrowing, are useful and play an important part, but the part they play is dependent upon the measure of public support they receive.

In the Victory Loan drive, Canadians added to their laurels, and the measure of their effort in this direction will make pleasant reading when the final figures are issued from Ottawa this month. That, however, is water over the dam, and War Savings is now in need of support. This is the movement in which the greatest number of Canadians can put their shoulder to the wheel.

War Savings is a twice blessed effort in that dollars invested in War Savings Certificates do double service: they do not compete with the war effort and they stand ready to take up the slack for the peace-time readjustment. Dollars diverted from non-essential spending at this time leave room for the expansion of production needed for the men overseas.



"Don't you wish we could shorten the war?"

He: "Well, in a way we can, you know."

She: "But, George, we're not trained to do anything..."

He: "Training doesn't matter for what I'm thinking about. I was wondering whether we couldn't put more of our income into War Savings Certificates."

She: "And why not? We might have to go without one or two pet luxuries—but wouldn't it be worth it to bring back peace again?"

He: "And won't we be glad of the money—and the interest it will have earned—in a world without war restrictions!"

The help of every Canadian is needed for Victory. In these days of war the thoughtless spender is a traitor to our war effort. A reduction in personal spending is now a vital necessity to reduce the cost of living. Every dollar saved can be used to buy essential materials to be diverted to winning the war. The all-out effort, which Canada must make, demands this self-denial of each of us.

**SPEND LESS — TO BUY MORE
WAR SAVINGS
CERTIFICATES**

War Savings Bomb Prepared

Picture shows a 500-lb. bomb in the War Savings exhibit at the Canadian National Exhibition being autographed, carrying the names of thousands of Canadians and Americans who purchased War Savings Certificates at the "Buy War Savings Certificates and Stamps Here" booth. The bomb will later be used to carry out its "V for Victory" mission over Berlin, paid for by Canadian War Savings.

***** *The Week* *****
IN EDMONTON

STILL DANGEROUS

Although the number of poliomyelitis cases is decreasing, provincial health authorities are still strongly warning parents against permitting children to congregate in groups, particularly in the "backyards" is the advice offered together with the injunction to prevent children from too many intensive activities. With teaching season now materially shortened, educational officials are working on a program to keep children busy in the hope of making up lost time between opening day and Christmas.

COURSE FOR WOMEN

Two classes of 20 women students will be open for registration within a few days at the Technical School, Edmonton, for the purpose of training girls for special aircraft work. The course will last ten weeks. Applications are being accepted in the Technical School depot in Edmonton. There are about 100 vacancies for trained women who are interested in learning to grow as activities increase. That course is designed to fill these demands.

NORMAL SCHOOL OPEN

Alberta's Normal School opened September 15th, for students 18 years old and over. Younger students will be admitted to report September 22. Decision to open the schools was made after the Provincial Department of Health had acted in the Polio epidemic situation. It was expected that students registered in Edmonton will number 310 and in Calgary, 200. The school year begins in the Polio epidemic situation.

For the information of the public, the Alberta Department of Health has issued a statement on the spread of poliomyelitis among children in horses and humans. A summary follows: There are two types, eastern and western. The eastern type is called paralytic and is distinctly different than the western. Clinically, the eastern is

ADVOCATE FREE HOSPITALIZATION FOR CANCER

in this province is able to supply cancer sufferers with free hospitalization and surgery in addition to the services of medical services. "Alberta will become one of the leading world centers for the treatment of cancer," said Dr. George H. MacLennan, renowned radiologist and director of the Provincial Diagnostic Clinic. Dr. MacLennan said since establishment of the free hospitalization and surgery services, 903 persons had received treatment. "Only 500 who applied were admitted to the hospital, and 285 will receive treatments."

THEIR club to heights of glory as if born to sacrifice and heroism, scaling the peaks by humble paths and mean alleys which turn to pits of flame; or attaining the summit of valor through dark and cruel descent into the icy waters of the sea. Like soldiers they have borne the shock of fire and shell; like sailors they have gone down unflinchingly to their death in shattered ships, and like aviators they have given their strength to "By Labor to the Stars."

NO Abbey walls have space to record the deeds of these simple ones, gone sadly, or gaily to eternity. Their names shall not be graven on stone or painted on glass; no Roll of Honor could set them forth. But the dust of England, the winds which whisper in her trees, the waves which beat upon her shores, shall vibrate with the passion of their courage, the splendor of their sacrifice! Each dawn shall tell how they arose in humble cheerfulness to light their tiny corner; of the earth with a candle of faith; each sunset shall be flaming beacon to remind all men of their burning steadfastness."

Finance Minister Ilsey Says Must Save More, Spend Less**MOTOR LICENSE FEE REDUCED OCTOBER 1ST**

Reduction of the Alberta motor license fee will become effective October First, when a 40 percent cut goes into effect. In 1940-41 the fee was 75 cents. Finance Minister Ilsey said at Saskatoon, in opening the Fall campaign on behalf of the Soviets. To bridge the balance the Government is appealing to the people for savings and loans.

The motto of the Canadian people to make sacrifices in order to finance the war was the first of four major decisions of the war which the break out was listed by the minister. The other three developments were:

The increase with which the issue of war have been defined; the co-operation of the United States, and the inspiration of the heroism of the Canadian people.

Speaking of the clarification of war aims, Mr. Ilsey declared the war has been for a war between the British on one side and the opposing nations are.

"The German Empire has adopted and practiced war as a means to dominate the world. The Nazi philosophy, if such it can be called, repudiates the Christian ethics, having no use for God, for man, for the family, for the state and the like. It repudiates the scientific spirit, not permitting the free pursuit of knowledge. The religious creed which would be injurious to the gang that rules the state. And it repudiates the code of law and order which is the capital decree of the dictator."

"The issue has become 'we' or 'they.' Mr. Ilsey said. "How would it be to you to know that if we stood about we could find safety in isolation. Too many nations have been destroyed by isolation failing to enter the common struggle until it was too late."

The simple, civilized aims of the eight-point declaration framed by

Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt formed a secure base for all those opposing Hitler's

"How thankful we should be that these elected leaders of the two great nations are able to agree on this positive and progressive declaration of principles."

Be civil to all; sociable to many; familiar with few; friend to one; enemy to none.—Benjamin Franklin.

THE LITTLE PEOPLE OF ENGLAND

by Mrs. Vallance S. Patriarche

THEY carry no weapons, wave no banners, chant no stately measures of victory, these little people of England. Pale clerks, laborers with stiff gnarled hands; old fishermen and young mechanics; housewives, washerwomen, nannies and chaps, and tired children singing underground lit to break your heart.

THEY climb to heights of glory as if born to sacrifice and heroism, scaling the peaks by humble paths and mean alleys which turn to pits of flame; or attaining the summit of valor through dark and cruel descent into the icy waters of the sea. Like soldiers they have borne the shock of fire and shell; like sailors they have gone down unflinchingly to their death in shattered ships, and like aviators they have given their strength to "By Labor to the Stars."

NO Abbey walls have space to record the deeds of these simple ones, gone sadly, or gaily to eternity. Their names shall not be graven on stone or painted on glass; no Roll of Honor could set them forth. But the dust of England, the winds which whisper in her trees, the waves which beat upon her shores, shall vibrate with the passion of their courage, the splendor of their sacrifice! Each dawn shall tell how they arose in humble cheerfulness to light their tiny corner; of the earth with a candle of faith; each sunset shall be flaming beacon to remind all men of their burning steadfastness."

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